



CENTRAL DIRECTORY

The Central Directory is designed to provide parents and other caregivers with information that will assist them in making informed decisions regarding the health and well-being of their children and their families.

If you would like
information about ...

You can contact ...

Assistive Technology

Enabling Technologies of Kentuckiana (enTECH)
851 S. 4th Street
Louisville, KY 40203
1-502-585-9911 x2648 (Phone)

website: <http://www.spalding.edu/frame.asp?pg=db2.asp?id=1122>

- enTECH's focus is to promote and foster independence and the potential of all persons by providing creative technology solutions.

Kentucky Assistive Technology Loan Corporation
1-859-246-2540 (Phone)
1-877-675-0195 (Toll Free)
1-859-246-2546 (TTY)

website: www.katlc.ky.gov

- KATLC offers low interest loans through its lending partner, Fifth Third Bank, for qualified applicants who need any type of equipment or home modification that will increase an individual's mobility or enable them to become more independent.

Kentucky Assistive Technology Service (KATS) Network
Charles McDowell Center
8412 Westport Road
Louisville, KY 40202
1-800-327-5287 (Phone)

website: www.katsnet.org

- KATS Network consists of a statewide network of organizations and individuals connecting to enhance the availability of assistive technology devices and services to improve the productivity and quality of life for individuals with disabilities.

If you would like
information about ...
Autism

You can contact ...

Autism Society of America (ASA)
7910 Woodmont Avenue, Ste 300
Bethesda, MD 20814
1-800-328-8476 (Phone)
website: www.autism-society.org

- Website offers information and resources for parents and others as well as helpful links, current news and key issues related to the field of autism. Website also provides links to local ASA chapters – four of which are in Kentucky.

FEAT of Louisville
P.O. Box 5214
Louisville, KY 40255
1-502-609-2901

website: www.featoflouisville.org

- FEAT stands for Families for Effective Autism Treatment. FEAT of Louisville hosts local and national presenters monthly, monitors current research in treatment options for families, tracks legislation concerning children with autism and maintains community partnerships.

Kentucky Autism Training Center
911 S. Brook St.
Louisville, KY 40203
1-502-852-4631 (Phone)

website: <http://www.louisville.edu/kyautismtraining//>

- The KATC provides school-based consultations, family technical assistance, and training activities for promoting the early identification of autism in young children.

Basic Services

KyCARES

website: <http://kycares.ky.gov>

- KyCARES is an online services/information directory and guide for Federal, State and Community Providers which can help you connect with providers which offer basic services like housing, food, childcare, transportation, benefits information and much more. (NOTE: this resource is only available online. If you do not have internet access at home, contact your local public library.)

Child Care

Kentucky Partnership for Early Childhood Services
Child Care Resource and Referral
Human Development Institute/ University of Kentucky
126 Mineral Industries Building
Lexington, KY 40506-0051
1-800-956-8950 (Phone)

website: www.kentuckypartnership.org/ccrr/default.asp

- Contact *The Partnership* to locate the Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) agency serving your area. CCR&R agencies provide referral information to families seeking child care and assist families in identifying characteristics of quality early care and education services.

If you would like
information about ...

You can contact ...

Child Development

Zero To Three
National Center for Infants, Toddlers and Families
2000 M Street, NW, Suite 200
Washington, DC 20036
1-202-638-1144 (Phone)
website: www.zerotothree.org

- Website provides a wide array of child development resources, including parenting topics, weekly tips, and information about growth and development. Website also offers a bookstore and access to the Zero To Three journal.

Deafness

Heuser Hearing Institute
Home of the Louisville Deaf Oral School
115 East Kentucky Street
Louisville, KY 40203
1-502-515-3320 (Phone)
1-502-515-3323 (TDD)
website: www.thehearinginstitute.org

- Heuser Hearing Institute provides educational, audiological, diagnostic, speech evaluation and therapy, cochlear implant, ear related medical services, and hearing research.

Kentucky School for the Deaf (KSD)
P.O. Box 27
Danville, KY 40427
1-859-239-7017 x2200 (Phone)
website: www.ksd.k12.ky.us

- KSD supports The Statewide Family Support Center (SFSC), which provides resources, referrals, information and workshops for families related to a wide variety of topics (i.e. communication, language, literacy, amplification, technology and more).

Kentucky Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
632 Versailles Road
Frankfort, KY 40601
1-800-372-2907 (Phone/TTY)
website: www.kcdhh.ky.gov

- The KCDHH acts as an advocate for deaf and hard of hearing persons on legislative issues as well as a consultant to the Governor, General Assembly, and various state and local governmental agencies concerning policies and programs that pertain to people with hearing loss.

Disability Issues

Kentucky Council on Developmental Disabilities
100 Fair Oaks Lane, 4E-F
Frankfort, KY 40601
1-877-367-5332
website: <http://www.kcdd.ky.gov>
also visit: www.kyddnetwork.org

- KCDD does not provide direct services, but provides leadership and advocacy for the community of persons with disabilities.

If you would like
information about ...

You can contact ...

Disability Issues (cont'd)

Kentucky Disabilities Coalition (KDC)

PO Box 1589

Frankfort, KY 40602-1589

1-502-875-1871 (Phone/TTD))

1-800-977-7505 (Toll Free Phone)

website: www.geocities.com/kydisabilitiescoalition/

- KDC advocates on behalf of persons with disabilities to promote the development of legislation that benefits Kentuckians with disabilities.

The Arc of Kentucky

833 E Main Street

Frankfort, KY 40601

1-800-281-1272

website: www.arcofky.org

- The Arc of Kentucky advocates for the rights of persons with mental and other disabilities. The Arc is also sponsoring the Kentucky Family to Family Health Information and Education Initiative, which connects families with similar concerns to share experiences, information and/or support.

The National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities
(NICHCY)

P.O. Box 1492

Washington, DC 20013

1-800-695-0285 (Phone/TTY)

website: www.nichcy.org

- NICHCY provides a wealth of information regarding disabilities. Website provides links to state resources, including state agencies and parent support networks.

Social Security Administration (SSA)

Office of Public Inquiries

Windsor Park Building

6401 Security Blvd.

Baltimore, MD 21235

1-800-772-1213 (Phone)

1-800-325-0778 (TTY)

website: www.socialsecurity.gov

- Children with disabilities whose parents have little income or resources may be eligible for Supplemental Security Income Benefits. Contact the SSA to get a copy of the publication "Benefits For Children With Disabilities".

Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights
(The PACER Center)

8161 Normandale Blvd

Minneapolis, MN 55437

1-952-838-9000 (Phone)

1-952-838-0190 (TTY)

website: www.pacer.org

- Founded and primarily staffed by parents of children with disabilities, The PACER Center provides parents with resources, training and support during each stage of child development.

If you would like
information about ...

You can contact ...

Domestic Violence

Kentucky Domestic Violence Association
P.O. Box 356
Frankfort, KY 40602
1-502-209-5382 (Phone)
1-800-799-7233 (Domestic Violence Hotline)
1-800-787-3224 (TTY Domestic Violence Hotline)
website: www.kdva.org

- KDVA provides resources to victims of domestic violence. The website includes a list of domestic violence programs throughout Kentucky.

Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Division of Child Abuse and Domestic Violence Services
275 East Main Street, 3 C-G
Frankfort, KY 40621
1-502-564-9433
website: <http://chfs.ky.gov/dhss/cadv>

- Contact the Division of Child Abuse and Domestic Violence Services to obtain a list of local Spouse Abuse Shelters. Visit the website for information about federal and state laws related to Domestic Violence.

Early Intervention Services

First Steps – Kentucky's Early Intervention System
275 E Main St.
Frankfort, KY 40621-0001
1-800-442-0087 (Phone)
website: <http://chfs.ky.gov/dph/firststeps.htm>

- The First Steps program provides developmental services and supports to families with infants and toddlers between birth and three who are experiencing developmental delays or disabilities.
- Contact 1-800-442-0087 to find a Point of Entry (POE) near you and to get information regarding specific services and supports that may be available to your family.

Federal Resources

U.S. Department of Education
Office of Special Education & Rehabilitative Services
Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP)
Hugh Reid, Part C (EI) Contact for Kentucky
400 Maryland Ave., S.W.
Washington, DC 20202-7100
1-202-245-7491
website: www.ed.gov

- The U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) provides funding to states to implement a comprehensive Part C Early Intervention Services System. OSEP also monitors each state's compliance with the infant and toddler provisions of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

If you would like
information about ...

You can contact ...

Food and Nutrition

Division of Adult and Child Health

WIC Program

275 E. Main St.

Frankfort, KY 40621

1-800-462-6122 (Phone)

1-800-648-6056 (TTY)

Website: <http://chfs.ky.gov/dph/ach/wic.htm>

- The WIC Program provides nutrition education and services, including assistance in accessing healthy food, for pregnant women and/or women who have recently had a baby, are breastfeeding, or have a child under the age of five (5). To apply for WIC, contact your local Health Department. To find your local Health Department call 1-800-462-6122.

Health and Medical

The American Academy of Pediatrics

141 Northwest Point Boulevard

Elk Grove Village, IL 60007-1098

1-847-434-4000 (Phone)

website: www.aap.org

- Website offers information regarding a wide range of children's health topics.

Commission for Children with Special Health Care Needs

982 Eastern Parkway

Louisville, KY 40217

1-800-232-1160 (Phone)

website: <http://chfs.ky.gov/ccshcn/>

- The CSHCN provides a variety of health related services to children with special health care needs. Visit the website or call CSHCN to find a Commission office near you.
- The CSHCS also administers the Newborn Hearing Screening Program, which evaluates the hearing status of all newborn infants in Kentucky.

Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services

Department for Medicaid Services

Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program (KCHIP)

1-877-524-4718 (Phone)

1-800-648-6056 (Deaf or Hard of Hearing)

website: <http://www.chfs.ky.gov/dms/KCHIP.htm>

- KCHIP provides health insurance coverage to low income, uninsured children in Kentucky.
- To apply for KCHIP, call or visit your local Department for Community Based Services' (DCBS) office. To find your local DCBS office, call 1-877-524-4718 or visit the website listed above.

If you would like
information about ...

You can contact ...

Health and Medical (cont'd)

Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Department for Public Health (DPH)
Local Health Operations Branch
275 E. Main St., HS1W-D
Frankfort, KY 40621
1-502-564-3796

website: www.chfs.ky.gov

- Local Health Departments provide a variety of services for families, including home visiting programs, immunization programs, nutrition programs, health and wellness programs and other support programs. Contact DPH or visit the website above to locate a health department near you.

Kentucky Immunization Program
275 E. Main St., HS2E-B
Frankfort, KY 40621
1-502-564-4478 (Phone)

website: <http://chfs.ky.gov/dph/epi/immunizationprograms.htm>

- The Kentucky Immunization Program provides families with information regarding the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program, which provides vaccines to Medicaid-eligible, uninsured and/or underinsured

Housing

Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC)
1231 Louisville Road
Frankfort, KY 40601
1-800-633-8896 (Phone)

website: www.kentuckyhousing.org

- KHC provides affordable housing opportunities for very low, low and moderate-income Kentuckians.

Legal and Other Assistance

Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Office of the Ombudsman
275 East Main Street, 1E-B
Frankfort, KY 40621
1-800-372-2973

website: www.chfs.ky.gov/omb

- The Office of the Ombudsman answers questions about CHFS programs, investigates customer complaints and works with CHFS management to resolve them, advises CHFS management about patterns of complaints and recommends corrective action when appropriate.

Kentucky Protection and Advocacy
100 Fair Oaks Lane, 3rd Floor
Frankfort, KY 40601
1-800-372-2988 (Message Line and TTY)

website: www.kypa.net

- Protection and Advocacy is an independent state agency whose staff includes professional advocates and lawyers. Kentucky P & A can attempt to answer questions about your family's or your child's rights under disability laws.

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information about ...

You can contact ...

Legal and Other Assistance (cont'd)

Disability Rights Education & Defense Fund (DREDF)
2212 Sixth Street
Berkeley, CA 94710
1-510-644-2555 (Phone/TTY)
website: www.dredf.org

- DREDF provides education, training and technical assistance to persons with disabilities, parents of children with disabilities, lawyers, service providers and policy makers about disability civil rights laws and policies. DREDF also provides advocacy services on behalf of adults and children with disabilities and litigates disability rights cases.

Parent Support

First Steps – Kentucky's Early Intervention System
275 E Main St.
Frankfort, KY 40621-0001
1-800-442-0087 (Phone)
website: <http://chfs.ky.gov/dph/firststeps.htm>

- The First Steps Program contracts with regional Parent Consultants who are available to provide information and resources to families, to coordinate training and special events for families of children enrolled in First Steps, and to link families to District Early Intervention Councils and other groups to encourage the participation of families in planning and meeting the needs of children enrolled in First Steps.

Kentucky Special Parent Involvement Network (KY-SPIN)
10301 B Deering Road
Louisville, KY 40272
502-937-6894
1-800-525-7746
E-mail: spininc@kyspin.com
Website: www.kyspin.com

- **SPIN** is a statewide project of KY-SPIN, Inc. **SPIN** provides training, information and support to people with disabilities, their parents and families, and information on all types of disabilities and topics for all age groups. The website contains an extensive Parent Resource Guide.

FIND of Louisville (CPRC)
1146 South Third Street
Louisville, KY 40203
502-584-1239
502-584-1261 FAX
E-mail: find@councilonmr.org
Website: www.findoflouisville.org
Serves: Jefferson County

- FIND provides training, information and support to parents and families of children with disabilities from birth to 21 in Jefferson County.

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information about ...

You can contact ...

**Parent Support
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Family Voices
982 Eastern Parkway
Louisville, KY 40217
1-800-232-1160 (Phone)
e-mail: DebbieA.Gilbert@ky.gov
website: <http://www.familyvoices.org>

- Family Voices is a national, grassroots clearinghouse for information and education concerning the health care of children with special health needs.

**Postpartum
Depression**

NOTE: If you are thinking about hurting yourself or your child, contact your primary care physician immediately.

Kentucky Department for Mental Health/Mental Retardation (MH/MR) Services
100 Fair Oaks Lane 4E-B
Frankfort, KY 40621
1-502-564-4527 (Phone)
1-502-564-5777 (TTY)
website: www.mhmr.ky.gov

- Mental health services are available through Community Mental Health Centers. Contact the Commissioner's Office or visit the website to find a CMHC near you or to find the Crisis Line number for the CMHC near you.

**Preschool/Part B
Special Education
Services**

Kentucky Dept of Education (KDE): Special Education
Division of Exceptional Children's Services
Kentucky Department of Education
Capitol Plaza Tower, 8th Floor
500 Mero Street
Frankfort, KY 40601
1-502-564-7056 (Early Childhood Branch Phone)
website: www.kde.state.ky.us

- KDE administers Kentucky's state-funded preschool program, which serves three and four-year-olds with an identified disability or delay and four year olds who are free lunch eligible.

**Preventing Child
Abuse**

Prevent Child Abuse Kentucky (PCAKY)
489 East Main Street, 3rd Floor
Lexington, KY 40507
1-800-CHILDREN (Helpline)
e-mail: pcaky@pcaky.org
website: www.pcaky.org

- PCAKY's Helpline serves as a resource for caregivers who are concerned that they may harm the children in their care. In addition to the Helpline, PCAKY operates a number of non-profit programs throughout the state of Kentucky, including parenting classes, child development classes and crisis nurseries.

If you would like
information about ...

Research and Demonstration Projects

You can contact ...

Interdisciplinary Human Development Institute (IHDI)
126 Mineral Industries Building
Lexington, KY 40506-0051
1-859-257-1714 (Phone/TTY)
website: www.ihdi.uky.edu

- The Institute provides a strong foundation for more than 30 research, training and service projects, addressing a wide range of topics and issues in areas such as early childhood, education, transition and community living and personnel preparation.

Separation and Divorce

The American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (AACAP)
3615 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20016-3007
1-202-966-7300 (Phone)
website: www.aacap.org

- The AACAP prepares and distributes a series of informational brochures called Facts for Families. Several Facts for Families brochures address the impact of separation and divorce on children.

Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Department for Community Based Services
Division of Child Support
P.O. Box 2150
Frankfort, KY 40602-2150
1-800-248-1163 (Child Support Hotline)
1-888-675-7425 (Kentucky Paternity Acknowledgment Program)
website: <http://chfs.ky.gov/dCBS/dcs>

- Contact the Child Support Office in your county of residence to apply for child support services. Call the Child Support Hotline or visit the website listed above to find your local Child Support Office.
- Contact the Kentucky Paternity Acknowledgement Program for information regarding establishing paternity voluntarily.

Transition

National Early Childhood Transition Center
Interdisciplinary Human Development Institute
University of Kentucky
126 Mineral Industries Building
Lexington, KY 40506-0051
1-866-742-4015
website: www.ihdi.uky.edu/nectc

- NECTC is a research center funded by the U.S. Department of Education whose purpose is to examine factors that promote successful transitions between infant/toddler services, preschool programs and public school settings for young children with disabilities and their families.

If you would like
information about ...

You can contact ...

Visual Impairment

Kentucky School for the Blind (KSB)
1867 Frankfort Avenue
Louisville, KY 40206
1-502-897-1583

website: www.ksb.k12.ky.us

- Staff disseminates resource information and responds to questions/inquiries related to specific types of visual impairments, current research, and instructional methodology, as well as, making appropriate referrals to other agencies.

Visually Impaired Preschool Services (VIPS) – Louisville
1906 Goldsmith Lane
Louisville, KY 40218
1-888-636-8477 (Phone)

VIPS – Central Kentucky
161 Burt Road, Ste #4
Lexington, KY 40503
1-888-254-8477

website: www.vips.org

- VIPS serves blind or visually impaired infants, toddlers, and preschoolers who live within a 50-mile radius of Louisville, including several counties in Southern Indiana, through the [VIPS-Louisville Office](#). Children, who live in central Kentucky, within a 50-mile radius of Lexington, are served by the [VIPS-Central KY Office](#). VIPS also has an Outreach Program to serve children and families who reside in other areas throughout Kentucky.